

**AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:**

The attached sheets of drawings includes changes to Figs. 2B and 18. Subject to the Examiner's approval, Applicants propose to amend Fig. 2B in the drawings to add reference numeral 11d referred to at pages 10 and 11 of the specification. Also subject to the Examiner's approval, Applicants propose to amend Fig. 18 to conform the text in blocks 122 and 123 to the specification at page 31. The proposed changes are highlighted in yellow in the attached Annotated Sheets Showing Changes.

Attachments:        Replacement Sheets (two sheets containing Figs. 2A-4 and 18-19)  
                         Annotated Sheets Showing Changes

### REMARKS

The above-identified application was allowed in the Office Action mailed August 26, 2004. The issue fee is being paid concurrently herewith.

Each of the requested amendments is fully supported by the specification and drawings, will not require an additional search, and does not raise new issues. Therefore, applicant respectfully requests that this Amendment be entered and the requested changes made.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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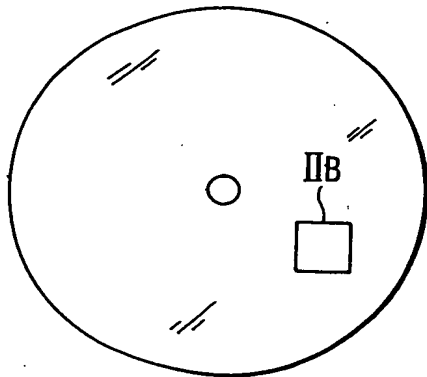


FIG. 2A

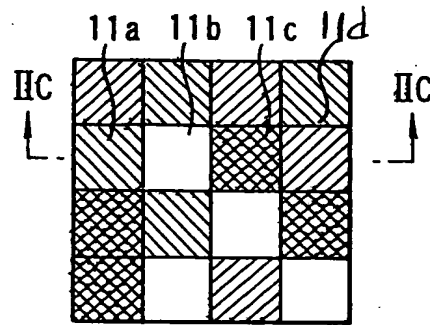


FIG. 2B

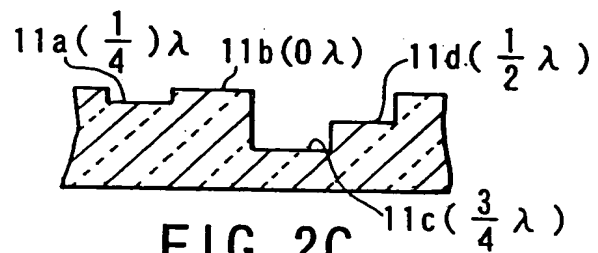


FIG. 2C

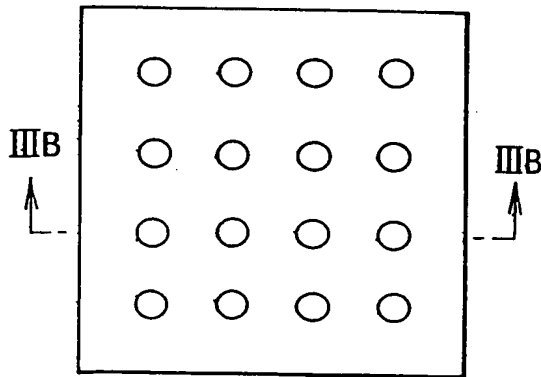


FIG. 3A

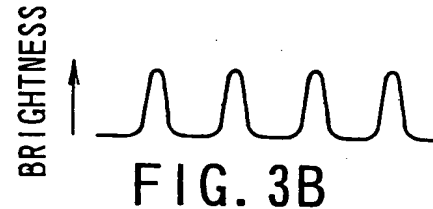


FIG. 3B

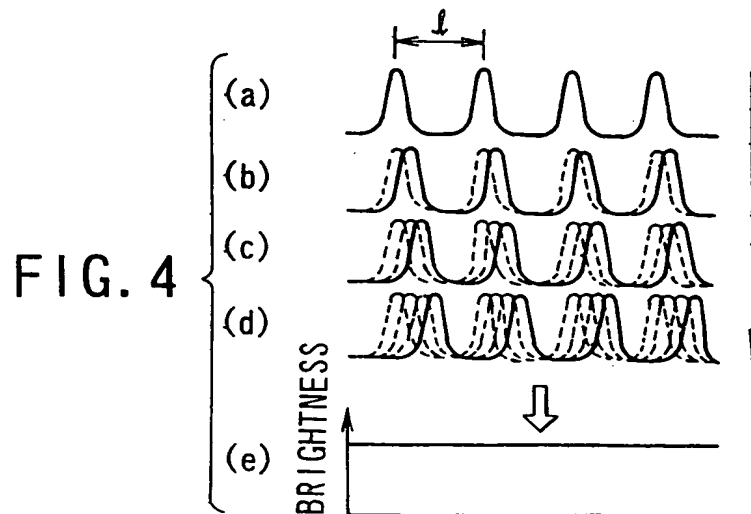


FIG. 4

Annotated Sheet Showing Changes

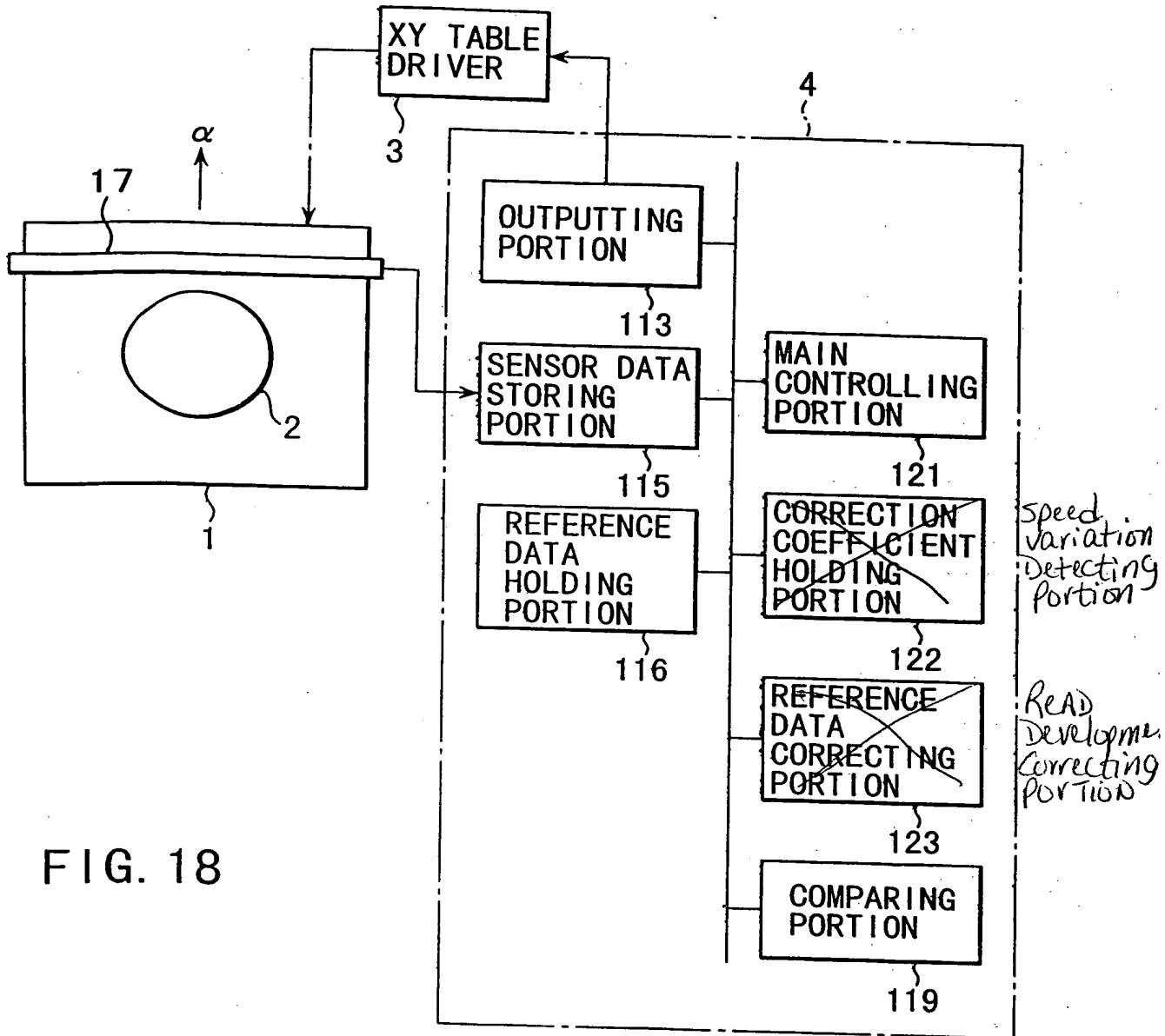


FIG. 18

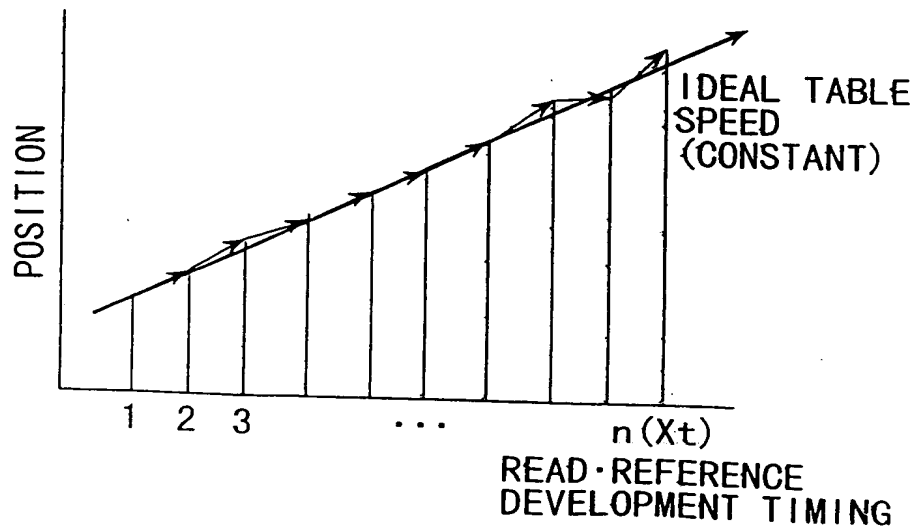


FIG. 19